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Examiner: Shibuya

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Art Unit: 1639

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Title: **USES AND METHODS OF MAKING MICROARRAYS OF  
POLYMERIC BIOMATERIALS**

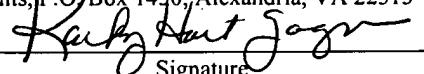
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**TRANSMITTAL**

A Final Office Action was mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on September 7, 2004 for the above-referenced patent application. The due date for filing a Response to this Office Action is December 7, 2004. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that the filing of this Response and accompanying RCE on December 2, 2004, is timely.

Enclosed please find the following documents regarding the above-referenced matter:

- 1) Response to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 (13 pages) and Accompanying RCE Filed Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (1 page);
- 2) Check in the amount of \$395.00 for RCE fee (small entity);
- 3) Statement of Limited Recognition Under 37 C.F.R. § 11.9(b) (1 page); and
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Respectfully Submitted,

  
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